

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Entry of the present amendment and reconsideration of all claims remaining in the subject patent application is respectfully requested. By this amendment, claims 1, 2, 9, 10 and 17 are amended above so as to give greater emphasis to some of the novel and patentable features set forth in these claims.

The rejection of claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Miyamoto et al. (U.S. Patent 7,115,031) in view of Mine et al. (U.S. Patent 5,863,248) in further view of Kobayashi (U.S. Patent 6,431,982) is respectfully traversed. Applicants respectfully contend that there is no teaching or suggestion by Kobayashi or by any other cited art of record for providing a common display screen that is viewable by several players for providing a plurality of limited-extent display views of the gamespace centered around the different player controlled game characters together with providing at the same time a separate full-extent gamespace view to at least one separate display device that is individually used and viewable by only a single player, in the manner as disclosed in applicants' specification and set forth in applicants' claims as presently amended.

Consequently, it is believed that the above amendments and remarks place the above-identified patent application into condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the number indicated below. If any small matter remains outstanding, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below or on the following page.

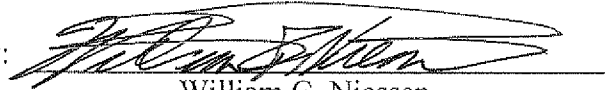
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